

RMP INSPECTION -- NORPHLET CHEMICAL, INCORPORATED -- NORPHLET. AR

Roger Cadenhead to: Bob Goodfellow Cc: Moore.Gary

03/25/2009 11:28 AM

Pertinent RMP data have been Peer Reviewed, entered into the Access database, and the NOI updated.

The signed NOI is on your desk. The electronic NOI and L3 checklist are attached.





Norphlet Chemical NOI.doc Norphlet Chemical L3 Checklist.doc

Other pertinent information is also attached.







Questions for Norphlet.doc Facts about Norphlet.pdf Norphlet.ppt

I inspected Norphlet Chemical, Incorporated who:

- Has not de-registered from the Risk Management Program
- Still has some of the virgin 70% HF on hand (above TQ)
- Have tanks filled with HF from their aborted attempts at making R134a refrigerant (their reason for being in business for 6 months)
- Have not filed for bankruptcy
- Are still a viable enterprise -- they are subletting to Jones-Hamilton who is using the property as a distribution center for HCl (no greater than 35.21% concentration). There is a railroad next to the property (with an associated spur) for delivery and shipment of product.

Jim Crotty, Mayor of Norphlet, AR, on the Executive Committee for Norphlet Chemical, and a member of the Board of Directors for the company whom I interviewed, said that he would FAX:

- A copy of the diagram of the facility so that he could show where all the tanks are that need to be removed.
- A copy of the plan and price that he proposed for removal of all the tanks that still contained materials that need to be removed before the Arkansas Department of Economic Development would take possession of land to sell to another interested party thereby providing jobs to this depressed labor market area.
- The legal description of the land so that a title search could be made (if needed) this may not be necessary since the land once was Macmillan Refinery which became defunct in 1988; later becoming a Superfund site. The land, once cleaned, was bought by two investors who sold it to Norphlet Chemical.

The FAX didn't arrive, so I called on Monday, 23 Mar 2009. During the call, Mr. Crotty apologized and asked to send the information on Tuesday, 24 Mar 2009. The information was not sent. I used the corrected GPS and ran Google earth. Google earth pictures were taken after the Superfund clean-up but before the site turned into Norphlet Chemical.

I also taped the interview I had with Jim Crotty. The tapes were given to Gary Moore, the OSC assigned to the case.

Regards, Roger Cadenhead USEPA, Region 6 Phone 214-665-6589 FAX 214 - 665 - 6660 cadenhead.roger@epa.gov